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Honorable William Proxmire, Vice Chairman
Subcommittee on International Trade,
Finance, and Security Economics
Joint Economic Committee
Congress of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Vice Chairman:

Thank you for your 19 October 1982 letter inviting a Central Intelligence Agency spokesperson to present an assessment of the state of the Soviet economy and its prospects before the Joint Economic Committee. We would be very pleased to brief the Committee in executive session. I have asked Mr. Henry S. Rowen, Chairman of the National Intelligence Council, to represent the Agency before the Committee. Representatives of my Legislative Liaison Division will contact Committee staff with regard to the details of the briefing.

Sincerely,

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

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